

REMARKS

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I. Claims 1-2, 10-11, 19-20, and 23-24, drawn to methods for detecting a methylated cytosine in a template nucleic acid.

Group II. Claims 3-9, 12-18, 21-22, and 25-26, drawn to arrays.

For the record, Applicant has verbally questioned the Examiner with regard to the categorization of claims 21-22 and 25-26 in Group II. In accordance with the Examiner's comments responsive to this issue, claims 21-22 and 25-26 were included in Group II in error and should have been included in Group I since they are directed to methods.

Accordingly, the following reflects the revised and corrected restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I. Claims 1-2, 10-11, and 19-26, drawn to methods for detecting a methylated cytosine in a template nucleic acid.

Group II. Claims 3-9 and 12-18, drawn to arrays.

Responsive to the revised Requirement for restriction, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of revised Group I, without traverse, Claims 1-2, 10-11, and 19-26, drawn to methods for detecting a methylated cytosine in a template nucleic acid.

No fees are believed to be necessitated by the foregoing Response. However, should this be erroneous, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or credit any overages.

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In view of the above, an early action on the merits of the Claims is courteously solicited.

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